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COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION, 1118

Tuesday, *the* *24th November 1942* / *9th Vrischigam 1118*

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble President (A. F. W. DIXON Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.) in the Chair.

Messrs. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan, Ismail Hajee Issa Sait, L. M. Pylee, T. P. Poulose and A. L. Antony were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

ANCHAL STAMPS—USE OF BY THE HARBOUR AUTHORITIES

13. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government has addressed the Harbour Authorities to use our Anchal stamps for their correspondence in Cochin and Travancore after the end of July 1942;

(*b*) if so, what is the reply they have received?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) & (*b*) Government addressed the Harbour Authorities in the matter and they have agreed to avail themselves of the Cochin Anchal service for all the postal articles emanating from their offices for places in the Cochin and the Travancore States on the following conditions.—

(*i*) that an Anchal Office is opened on Willingdon Island in close proximity to the Port's offices and its public business hours are fixed with due regard to local convenience, and

(*ii*) such articles could be forwarded by the earliest mails and delivered as expeditiously as at present.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Has the Government opened any Anchal Office there?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* We are corresponding.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* For opening an Anchal Office why should there be so much correspondence?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* There must be a suitable building?

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state whether at present there is any Anchal Office there?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I want notice.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* If there is no Anchal Office there, will Government be pleased to see that an Anchal Office is opened there as early as possible?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* That is already stated in the answer.

D. & O. TRADE LICENCE—MALABAR HOTEL

14. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether D. & O. trade licence has been issued for the Malabar Hotel;

(*b*) if so, (*i*) when and what is the amount of licence fee levied; (*ii*) whether the arrears in the licence fees have been collected up-to-date, (*iii*) if not, why?

(*c*) if the answer to (*a*) above is in the negative, what is the reason for doing so?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* The question of licensing the D. & O. trades on the Willingdon Island is still under consideration.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram):* What is meant by D. & O. trade?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Dangerous and Offensive Trade.

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Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: May I know whether the Government will be able to give information to the House as to how long it will continue to be under consideration.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: It has been under consideration for some time.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Is it more than three years?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: I do not think it is as long as that.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: I think it is more than 3 years and I may submit that a cut motion was passed in the Budget Sesssion of 1116 protesting against the policy of the Government in not issuing of the D. & O. License to the Harbour Authorities.

Mr. President: I have to inform the Hon'ble Member that I discussed this question the other day and a decision will be arrived at soon.

OFFICES OF THE COCHIN HARBOUR—CLOSING OF ON HIS HIGHNESS' BIRTHDAY

15. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the offices of the Cochin Harbour were closed on the last Birthday of His Highness the Maharaja and also in respect of the late Maharanee's passing away;

(*b*) if not why?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Owing to the vast increase of work on account of the war, much of which is of an urgent character, holidays for the Port's offices have to be severely restricted. No holiday is now observed at the Port on His Majesty the King Emperor's birthday also.

WAY LEADING TO THE MUSLIM MOSQUE—CLOSING OF—PAZHANJI VILLAGE

16. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the District Magistrate is in receipt of a petition, dated 19th Mithunam 1117 from one Mr. Karumathil Valappil Bapputty, son of Chekkutty, and others of Kottol Desam, Pazhanji village, Talappalli Taluk, complaining against the partial closing down of the way leading to the Muslim Mosque in that village;

(*b*) whether the Sub-Magistrate, Vadakkancheri, or the Sub-Inspector of Police or both have made any inquiry in the matter;

(*c*) if so, whether Government be pleased to place on the table the report of these two officers;

(*d*) whether the alleged hindrance to those going to the Mosque for worship and for funeral processions removed;

(*e*) if so, when?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Sub-Inspector of Police, Vadakkancheri, has made an enquiry into the matter

(*c*) Being *sub-judice* the report is not placed on the table.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No answer is called for in the light of the answer to (*d*).

CASES FILED IN THE ERNAKULAM, MATTANCHERI AND TRICHUR BENCH COURTS

17. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ഗവൺമെണ്ടു് ദയവായി മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) എറണാകുളം, കൊച്ചി, തൃശ്ശിവപേരൂർ എന്ന മൂന്നു ബഞ്ചുകോട്ടുകളിൽ ക്ഷ ക്ഷ മുതൽ ക്ഷ ക്ഷ ഴ വരെ ഓരോ കൊല്ലങ്ങളിൽ എത്ര കേസ്സുകൾവീതം ഫയലിൽ ചേർന്നിട്ടുണ്ടു്;

(ബി) അതുകളിൽ ഓരോ കൊല്ലത്തിൽ എത്രവീതം വിധി പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടു്;

(സി) ഓരോ കൊല്ലത്തിൽ എത്ര ഉറപ്പിക വീതം പിഴയായി ഗവൺമെണ്ടിലേക്കു ചേർച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടു്;

(ഡി) പ്രസ്തുത കൊല്ലങ്ങളിൽ ബഞ്ചുകോട്ടുകളുടെ തീർപ്പിന്മേൽ വല്ല അപ്പീലും ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ, ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ ഓരോ കൊല്ലത്തിലും എത്രവീതം ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടു്;

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